

Application No.: 10/813,624

**AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:**

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*Please amend the claims as follows:*

1 (Currently Amended): An organic electroluminescent device comprising:  
an organic compound layer including at least one organic compound film containing an organic compound having a phenylamino group, wherein  
said organic compound having a phenylamino group is produced by Ullmann reaction,  
and  
said organic compound layer contains copper atoms as impurities in a weight concentration of not lower than 40 ppm and not higher than 500 ppm.

2 (Original): The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 1, wherein  
said weight concentration of copper atoms as impurities in said organic compound layer is not higher than 200 ppm.

3 (Original): The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 1, wherein  
said organic compound layer includes:  
an organic compound film containing a luminescent material, and  
an organic compound film containing a carrier transporting material.

4-18 (Cancelled)

19 (Previously Presented): The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 1,  
wherein copper is detected by using an ICP (Inductively Coupled Plasma) method.

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20. (Previously presented) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:  
an organic compound layer including at least one organic compound film containing an organic compound having a phenylamino group, wherein  
said organic compound layer contains copper atoms as impurities within a weight concentration range of about 40 ppm to 500 ppm.

21. (Previously presented) The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 20, wherein

said weight concentration of copper atoms is within a range of about 40 ppm to 200 ppm.

22. (Previously presented) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:  
an organic compound layer including at least one organic compound film containing an organic compound having a phenylamino group, wherein  
copper atoms are present in the organic compound layer,  
said copper atoms can be detected, and  
are present in a weight concentration of not higher than 500 ppm.

23. (Previously presented) The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 22, wherein said copper atoms are present in the organic compound layer in weight concentration of not higher than 200 ppm.

24. (Previously presented) The organic electroluminescent device according to Claim 22, wherein said copper atoms are detected by using an ICP method.